WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for establishing telephonic communication between a first device and a second device over a communication network adhering to a session initiation protocol (SIP), the method comprising:

receiving a first call establishment message from the first device in a SIP-unobservant format;

generating a second call establishment message in a SIP-observant format in response to the first call establishment message; and

transmitting the second call establishment message to the second device over the communication network.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the call establishment message is selected from a group consisting of requests, responses, and confirmations.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein the SIP-unobservant format adheres to a private branch exchange signaling protocol.

4. The method of claim 1 further comprising:

retrieving redirection information associated with the first call establishment message from a location database; and

redirecting the second call establishment message in response to the retrieved redirection information.

5. The method of claim 4, wherein the redirection information is associated with a day and a time indicative of when the call establishment message is to be redirected.

6. The method of claim 1 further comprising selecting the SIP-unobservant format from a plurality of available formats.

7. A method for establishing telephonic communication between a first device and a second device over a communication network adhering to a session initiation protocol (SIP), the method comprising:

receiving a first call establishment message from the first device in a SIP-observant format;

generating a second call establishment message in a SIP-unobservant format in response to the first call establishment message; and

transmitting the second call establishment message to the second device over the communication network.

8. The method of claim 7, wherein the call establishment message is selected from a group consisting of requests, responses, and confirmations.

9. The method of claim 7, wherein the SIP-unobservant format adheres to a private branch exchange signaling protocol.

10. The method of claim 7 further comprising:

retrieving redirection information associated with the first call establishment message from a location database; and

redirecting the second call establishment message in response to the retrieved redirection information.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein the redirection information is associated with a day and time indicative of when the call establishment message is to be redirected.

12. The method of claim 7 further comprising selecting the SIP-unobservant format from a plurality of available formats.

13. A communication network adhering to a session initiation protocol (SIP) for establishing telephonic communication between devices, the network comprising:

a SIP-unobservant device;

a SIP-observant device; and

an emulation client operative between the SIP-unobservant device and the SIP-observant device, characterized in that a call establishment message transmitted by the SIP-unobservant device in a SIP-unobservant format is converted to a SIP-observant format by the emulation client and transmitted to the SIP-observant device.

14. The communication network of claim 13, wherein the call establishment message is selected from a group consisting of requests, responses, and confirmations.

15. The communication network of claim 13, wherein the SIP-unobservant format adheres to a private branch exchange signaling protocol.

16. The communication network of claim 13 further comprising a location database for storing redirection information, the communication network further characterized in that the emulation client retrieves from the location database redirection information associated with the call establishment message and redirects the call establishment message based on the retrieved redirection information.

17. The communication network of claim 15, wherein the redirection information is associated with a day and time indicative of when the call establishment message is to be redirected.

18. The communication network of claim 13 further characterized in that the emulation client selects the SIP-unobservant format from a plurality of available formats.

19. A communication network adhering to a session initiation protocol (SIP) for establishing telephonic communication between devices, the network comprising:

a SIP-unobservant device;

a SIP-observant device; and

an emulation client operative between the SIP-unobservant device and the SIP-observant device, characterized in that a call establishment message transmitted by the SIP-observant device in a SIP-observant format is converted to a SIP-unobservant format by the emulation client and transmitted to the SIP-unobservant device.

20. The communication network of claim 18, wherein the call establishment message is selected from a group consisting of requests, responses, and confirmations.

21. The communication network of claim 18, wherein the SIP-unobservant format adheres to a private branch exchange signaling protocol.

22. The communication network of claim 18 further comprising a redirection database for storing redirection information, the communication network further characterized in that the emulation client retrieves from the location database redirection information associated with the call establishment message and redirects the call establishment message based on the retrieved redirection information.

23. The communication network of claim 21, wherein the redirection information is associated with a day and time indicative of when the call establishment message is to be redirected.

24. The communication network of claim 18 further characterized in that the emulation client selects the SIP-unobservant format from a plurality of available formats.

25. An emulation client in a communication network adhering to a session initiation protocol (SIP) for establishing telephonic communication between a SIP-observant device and a SIP-unobservant device, characterized in that a call establishment message transmitted by the SIP-observant device in a SIP-observant format is converted to a SIP-unobservant format by the emulation client and transmitted to the SIP-unobservant device.

26. The emulation client of claim 24, wherein the call establishment message is selected from a group consisting of requests, responses, and confirmations.

27. The emulation client of claim 24, wherein the SIP-unobservant format adheres to a private branch exchange signaling protocol.

28. The emulation client of claim 24, further characterized in that redirection information associated with the call establishment message is retrieved from a redirection database for redirecting the call establishment message.

29. The emulation client of claim 27, wherein the redirection information is associated with a day and a time indicative of when the call establishment message is to be redirected.

30. The emulation client of claim 24, further characterized in that the SIP-unobservant format from a plurality of available formats.

31. An emulation client in a communication network adhering to a session initiation protocol (SIP) for establishing telephonic communication between a SIP-observant device and a SIP-unobservant device, characterized in that a call establishment message transmitted by the SIP-unobservant device in a SIP-unobservant format is converted to a SIP-observant format by the emulation client and transmitted to the SIP-observant device.

32. The emulation client of claim 30, wherein the call establishment message is selected from a group consisting of requests, responses, and confirmations.

33. The emulation client of claim 30, wherein the SIP-unobservant format adheres to a private branch exchange signaling protocol.

34. The emulation client of claim 30, further characterized in that redirection information associated with the call establishment message is retrieved from a redirection database for redirecting the call establishment.

35. The emulation client of claim 33, wherein the redirection information is associated with a day and time indicative of when the call establishment message is to be redirected.

36. The emulation client of claim 30, further characterized in that the SIP-unobservant format is selected from a plurality of available formats.